

WHEREAS, The very foundation of civilization rests on the family unit; and,

WHEREAS, The key member of the family unit is the mother; and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting and appropriate for us to pay proper tribute to mothers and their great contribution to civilized society; and,

WHEREAS, The South Dakota Mother of the Year for 1976 is Mrs. Vera Peta:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of April 10-16, 1976, as

SOUTH DAKOTA MOTHERS' WEEK

and I further urge all residents of our State to take proper notice of this special occasion by paying tribute to the institution of motherhood and mothers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 10th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six

R. F. Kneip

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Lorna B. Herseth

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE